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## Syrian Ambassador to visit Salisbury



**Dr. Imad Moustapha**

By Jeremy Riffle  
Global and Editorial Editor

On Tuesday, Sept. 15, Salisbury University will be dignified by a lecture given by the Syrian Ambassador to the United States.

Ambassador Imad Moustapha will be the first of three ambassadors from the Arab world to visit the University as part of the Office of Cultural Affairs' Ambassador Lecture Series.

Moustapha has been the Syrian government's representative in Washington, D.C. since March 2004. Be-

fore this, Moustapha, who holds a Ph.D. in Computer Science from the University of Surrey in the United Kingdom, served as Dean of the Faculty of Information Technology at the University of Damascus and Secretary General of the Arab School for Science and Technology. Additionally, he cofounded the Network of Syrian Scientists, Technologists and Innovators Abroad and has consulted numerous international and regional organizations on science and technological policies in the Middle East. Moustapha also served on the Syrian team responsible for developing

the reformation of the Syrian ministries of Culture, Education and Higher Education.

The Office of Cultural Affairs is assisted in the Ambassador Lecture Series by World Artists Experiences, Inc., a non-profit organization that Salisbury University is affiliated with.

"World Artists Experiences is a group of volunteers out of the D.C./Annapolis area... No one is paid. It's a labor of love and their belief is that you promote understanding between cultures and people through the arts," said June Krell-Salgado, Director of the Office of Cultural Af-

fairs.

The organization promotes the utility of the arts as a method of building bridges of understanding between cultures. Since its creation, World Artists Experiences has provided grassroots level cultural exchange with programs involving artists and musicians from around the world. The University has been affiliated with the World Artists Experiences for five years and, as a result of their relationship, has enjoyed several types of events, including lectures, musical presentations and exhibits.

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### Student Activities Welcomes New Students



Sarah Lake photo

POMS president Telecia Taylor, SUPD Officer Shacarius Shrievs, Graduate Assistant of Volunteerism Ashley Dickinson, SOAP member Emile Kumfa and Student Activities Administrative Assistant Ann Obert pause for a photo op during Survival of Arrival. Incoming freshmen and their parents were welcomed by friendly staff, students and local vendors during New Student Orientation.

## Budget cuts affect campus

By Vanessa Junkin  
Editor-in-Chief

The State of Maryland has at least \$750 million less than they had expected for Fiscal Year 2010, and that is affecting Salisbury University and the rest of the University System of Maryland (USM).

At her August 3 meeting, SU President Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach discussed this and talked about budget reductions at SU for Fiscal Year 2010, which runs from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

When Dudley-Eshbach held her meeting, she said decisions for the first round of budget cuts had already been made. She explained that the USM portion of this first \$281 million statewide reduction was \$37.8 million, and said SU had to find \$1.54 million.

This money came out of the facilities renewal funds, the utility costs and the fund balance, Dudley-Eshbach said.

The fund balance is the University's leftover money, with a minimum monetary requirement to set aside in a "lock box," explained Vice President of Administration and Finance Betty Crockett after Dudley-Eshbach spoke.

At the time of the August meeting, the exact amount of round two budget cuts had not been determined, but Dudley-Eshbach said an estimated cost to USM would be around \$41 million. She added that negotiations to lower the amount had begun.

By late August, arrangements had been made for USM to instead pay \$30 million instead for round two reductions, Crockett said. She noted that Salisbury's portion of this cost was \$368,344 from general operational funds and \$736,687 from the fund balance.

SU's proposal for round two is that the money will come from utilities and the money saved by the hiring freeze, Crockett said.

According to a recent letter from USM Chancellor William E. Kirwan, total round two cuts for the State of Maryland were about \$454 million.

A plan for temporary salary reductions and furloughs has been prepared for State of Maryland employees, Crockett said, and it is likely that USM will follow suit and then provide guidelines for the universities.

Dudley-Eshbach said she would like to avoid laying off employees.

"We want to continue to protect people, our most precious resource

**SEE Budget Pg. 2**



Kelly Robinson photo

**SEE Parking Pg. 2**

## New parking garage is open for business

By Jacqueline Miller  
Staff Writer

With the start of a new school semester, students have a lot to look forward to and even more to worry about.

Parking, however, should no longer be an issue, thanks to SU's new three-level parking garage.

Located on Wayne Street, the parking garage is close to campus and provides an additional 850 parking spots, which makes up for the lost spaces due to the construction of the new Perdue School of Business.

In order to park in the new parking garage, students must purchase a yellow parking permit for \$90. Permits are available on a first-come, first-served basis to

students with at least 30 earned credit hours. Students with a yellow permit may also park in the dresser lots and the East Campus Complex lot on Wayne Street, as well as the main campus lot after 5:15 p.m.

Some students, however, do not feel purchasing a parking permit is worth the money because they use other methods of transportation.

Senior Deanna Cox walks to campus but said if it rained or snowed, she would use the parking garage.

"In addition to the parking permits," she said, "I think students should have the option to be able to pay for the parking garage when they use it by picking up a ticket and paying when they leave."

**SEE Parking Pg. 2**

**SEE SU's new three-level parking garage on Wayne Street provides 850 parking spots.**

## SU prepares for flu season and H1N1 virus

Submitted by Student Health Services

As the fall semester commences, SU is preparing for what is projected to be a busy flu season. A subcommittee of SU's Emergency Management Committee has been meeting all summer to monitor the global, national and regional situation. Prevention and intervention plans are in place in order to better manage the seasonal and H1N1 flu, should SU's campus be affected. Student Health Services reports that as students re-

turn for the semester, they are accessing care for classic flu symptoms.

"It is important for students, faculty and staff to understand the difference between the 'true' flu and other respiratory illnesses, like the common cold," said Jennifer Berkman, Director of Student Health Services. "The hallmark of the flu is a fever of 100 degrees or more, along with cough and/or sore throat."

Without a fever, individuals should know they do not have the flu.

The symptoms of H1N1 flu are similar to the symptoms of seasonal

flu. In addition to fever, symptoms may include sore throat, cough, stuffy nose, chills, headache and body aches, and fatigue. Some people have reported diarrhea and vomiting associated with H1N1 flu. Symptoms usually have a rapid onset.

The infectious period is one day before the beginning of illness to seven days after the onset. As with seasonal flu, those with underlying chronic medical conditions, pregnant women, or younger and older age groups may be more seriously affected.

The treatment for seasonal and

H1N1 flu are the same. People with flu-like illnesses are advised to stay away from classes and limit interactions with other people for at least 24 hours after no longer having a fever without fever-reducing medications.

Most individuals will not need to access medical care unless complications arise or severe symptoms surface. The more ill person isolates themselves, the more effective the campus will be in reducing the number of people affected. For this reason and the high demand for services

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**SEE Budget Pg. 2**

## CAV program seeks peer educators

By Alysha Warren, M. A.  
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Salisbury University recently receives funding from the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, to develop a Campus Against Violence (CAV) Program to respond to issues of sexual assault, relationship violence and stalking.

The Campus Against Violence (CAV) Program represents Salisbury University's commitment to ending sexual violence in all its forms, including sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking on campus. CAV will also provide students with knowledge and skills that will serve them throughout their lives.

Over the next two years, the CAV program, housed in Student Coun-

seling Services, will ensure that the University has a coordinated response to issues of sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking among students. Peer education, counseling services for affected students, skills training, public awareness campaigns and working in collaboration with faculty, staff and students will be used to create a community that is actively engaged in the prevention of sexual violence.

An integral component of this program will be peer education. The CAV program is issuing an official call to action to all students, male and female, undergraduate and graduate to apply to be paid peer educators. Through student-led workshops, skills training and public awareness campaigns, peer educators have the opportunity to empower

other students to speak out and prevent sexual violence, become campus leaders and help shape the CAV program. The CAV program will tackle the issue of sexual violence through interactive workshops, publications, public awareness campaigns, campus wide events, film screenings and other activities.

CAV is looking for students who are motivated, energetic, creative and who have an interest in social justice issues. Peer educators are expected to commit to the program for a minimum of two semesters. The deadline for applications is Friday, Sept. 18.

Sexual violence leaves visible and invisible imprints on all of us. It affects the people involved, how these people feel about themselves and how they often begin to view the

world. Friends and family can feel helpless in the aftermath of a sexual assault or after learning that someone is in a physically violent relationship. Most people want to help but they aren't always sure what to do or say.

The new peer education program provides a unique opportunity for students to learn what to say and do and share this information with their peers while connecting with other students and developing their leadership skills. The CAV program also has a comprehensive Web site that provides information about sexual assault, relationship violence and stalking, resources and tips for how to support a friend. For more information about the CAV Program and to become a peer educator, visit [www.salisbury.edu/counseling/cav/](http://www.salisbury.edu/counseling/cav/).

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Join Them in the S.A.C.

The Salisbury University Student Alumni Council (SAC) hosted 460 students and advisors from 86 schools in Baltimore at the 2009 CASE ASAP annual national student leadership conference in August and had an experience to network and grow.

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# GLOBAL

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## Swine flu is affecting college campuses

By Kelley Matney  
Staff Writer

What do Rupert Grint—the actor who plays Ron Weasley in the Harry Potter movies—Colombian President Alvaro Uribe and over 1600 American college students have in common? All of them have been treated for having confirmed cases of the swine flu.

According to the American College Health Association, of 165 institutions and two million students surveyed, there have been 1,640 cases of students infected with the swine flu in the first week of classes, August 22–28.

Almost 55 percent of the institutions surveyed are reporting swine flu cases.

Swine flu, technically known as the H1N1

virus, first appeared in the United States in April and was officially recognized as a pandemic by the World Health Organization on June 11.

Most cases of the H1N1 virus present only mild symptoms, and with the right treatment can be overcome quickly. The majority of the reported deaths have been those who are considered high-risk.

The main difference between the H1N1 virus and the typical seasonal flu is that it seems to be affecting mainly children and young adults instead of the elderly, who are the typical victims of the seasonal flu. Additional factors that increase the likelihood of complications from H1N1 include, among others, pregnancy and immune system sup-

pression.

On Sept. 2, Maryland Governor Martin O’Malley held a closed-door meeting with his cabinet members, and the heads of state public safety and health agencies. As reported by The Washington Post, after the meeting O’Malley made an appeal to the residents of Maryland.

“You’ll be doing your patriotic duty to get your seasonal flu shot this year,” O’Malley said.

One worry health departments have is people will be too preoccupied with the swine flu to get their seasonal flu shots, which still pose a health threat to many, including the at-risk elderly. Seasonal flu is responsible for 36,000 deaths a year in the United States alone.

## HISTORY CORNER

**September 8**  
1998- Mark McGwire sets a new home run record of 62 in a season, surpassing the previous record of 61 set by Roger Maris.

**September 9**  
1776- The United States becomes the country’s official name as chosen by the Continental Congress.

**September 10**  
1846- Elias Howe’s invention of the sewing machine earns its patent.

**September 11**  
2001- The U.S. is attacked by terrorists. Airplane hijackers caused destruction to the Twin Towers and the Pentagon.

**September 12**  
1959- Bonanza, the first color TV show on a regular schedule, premieres.

**September 13**  
1503- Michelangelo started creating his famous David statue.

**September 14**  
1959- Luna 2, a probe sent out by the Soviets, is the first man-made item to touch the moon.



Mark Ralston/AFP photo

*Southern California is dealing with huge wildfires that are destroying the area. Governor Schwarzenegger recently declared a state of emergency.*

Firefighters within the state of California continue to battle wildfires raging throughout the southern region of the state. This latest wildfire was reported to have started by human means, investigators announced. It is still unknown if the act was arson or accidental. The fires started in the Los Angeles forest just north of the city and have continued to burn since last week. On Monday, Aug. 31, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger declared a state of emergency in San Bernardino, the largest county in the continental U.S. as well as home to over two million residents.

Actions taken to contain the fires include helicopters flying over the flames with large buckets of water and a Boeing 747 dropping 20,000 gallons of fire retardant onto the fire as it spreads. The fire has burnt over 150,000 acres of land, 62 homes, three commercial properties, and 27 other buildings.

So far only a quarter of the fire has been contained, and it continues to threaten 10,000 homes, 500 commercial buildings, and 2,000 other buildings. Ten thousand homes have been evacuated from the immediate area and another 2,000 are planned to

have evacuations. The smoke from the fires has grown so large that the haze from them can be seen from space, as was reported by the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory via space satellite camera. The smoke itself has spread out of California and has prompted poor air warnings as far as Colorado and Las Vegas. The famous Mt. Wilson observatory located closer to the blaze is for the meantime safe from the spreading fires but is still considered threatened. A slight increase in humidity and a drop in temperatures have helped firefighting operations in the area.

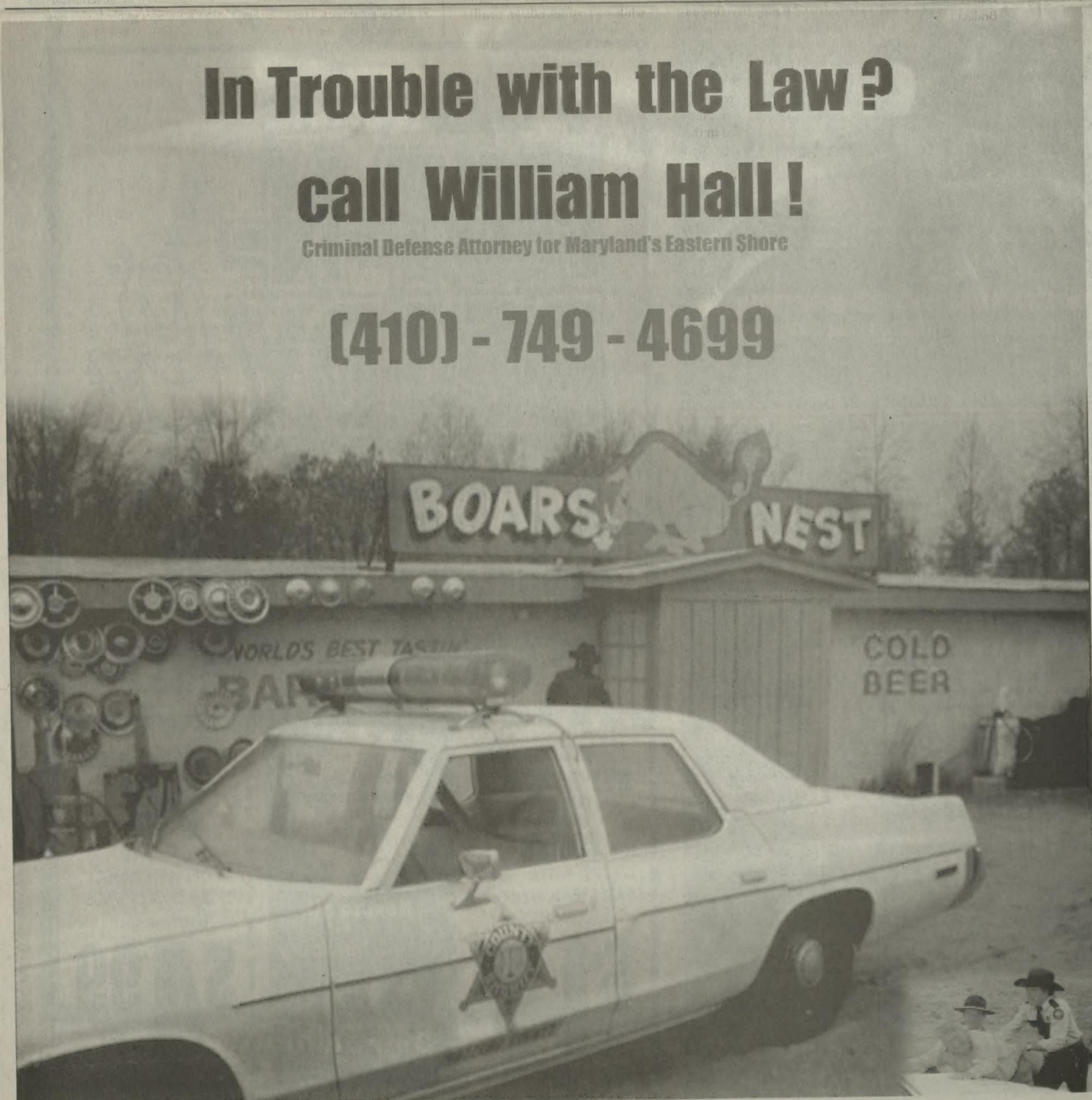
Schwarzenegger, appearing with firefighters and aid workers, has asked the legislature to pass a Emergency Response Initiative to fund over 100 million dollars to make 130 engines available, replace aged aircraft, and to help local governments fight statewide.

## In Trouble with the Law?

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# EDITORIAL

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## Overheard: What do you think of the new parking garage?

Photos and article by: Tessa Mikoloski



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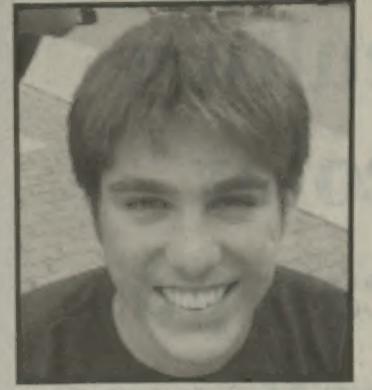
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- James Jackson, junior



"At first I was upset because I wouldn't be parking on campus but it's not too bad because it's closer than the Dresser lot."

- Matt Annane, sophomore



"I like it. It's nicer than I thought. In terms of parking on campus, it still sucks, but in terms of the garage, it's nice, but could use more levels."

- Matt Custer, sophomore

## Thoughts on the health care bill

### How would changes affect U.S. citizens?

#### A new health care plan could help during economy troubles

By Jeremy Riffle  
Editorial Editor

Heather Sherba survived one horror only to face another.

Sherba, a 22-year-old woman who graduated from college in 2008, was in a gym when a man entered her fitness class with a gun and opened fire, killing three women and injuring nine before turning the gun on himself. Sherba was one of the nine wounded, suffering a gunshot to her leg and damage to her teeth.

Although doctors were able to treat her injuries, Sherba, in addition to facing the difficulty of recuperating from her wounds, now faces the challenge of paying her medical bills because she, like many of her peers during this economic difficulty, is both unemployed and uninsured. So desperate is the situation that her friends and family have begun holding car washes to help pay off her medical debt.

Sherba is just one of the many Americans who have been given a bad deal from the current system of American health care. According to a study published in the The American Journal of Medicine, medical debt is the biggest cause of personal bankruptcies in America. Sixty-two percent of personal bankruptcies has the medical costs of getting sick or injured as a factor.

Additionally, even despite the amount of money the U.S. spends on health care, our health outcomes in many categories lag behind many other countries. The

life expectancy in the U.S. is ranked 50th according to 2009 estimates in the CIA World Factbook. The U.S. also has a relatively high infant mortality rate for a wealthy nation: 6.26 infant deaths per 1,000 live births, placing America 45th, behind Cuba which has an infant mortality rate of 5.82.

There have been some critics of proposed health care reform who have described reforms as the government throwing money at the problem. The fact of the matter is, however, that we, the American public, have been haphazardly throwing money at the health care industries and have not received what we have paid for. America should be leading the world in health outcomes, especially the basic ones such as life expectancy. Instead, we have received generally mild outcomes while companies raise in profits through charging high premiums and reaping on payments whenever possible.

There are several ways to change the current system. Some are large and sweeping, such as a basic public option to compete with private insurance companies in order to bring down prices.

Others are smaller, like allowing college graduates to stay on their parents' insurance plans until they find a job that will provide their own. Unfortunately, rationing is the situation that her friends and family have begun

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possible.

There are several ways to

change the current system. Some

are large and sweeping, such as

a basic public option to compete

with private insurance companies

in order to bring down prices.

Others are smaller, like allowing

college graduates to stay on their

parents' insurance plans until

they find a job that will provide

their own. Unfortunately, rationing

is the situation that her friends

and family have begun

holding car washes to help pay

off her medical debt.

Sherba is just one of the many

Americans who have been given a

bad deal from the current system

of American health care.

According to a study published in the The American Journal of Medicine,

medical debt is the biggest cause of personal bankruptcies in America.

Sixty-two percent of personal bankruptcies has the

medical costs of getting sick or

injured as a factor.

Additionally, even despite the

amount of money the U.S.

spends on health care, our health

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# SPORTS

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## Jim Nestor named Coach of the Year

By Tom Watson  
Sports Writer

Following the 2009 spring season, Salisbury University women's lacrosse Head Coach Jim Nestor was named the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA) Division-III South Atlantic Region Coach of the Year.

Nestor led his second-ranked Sea Gulls (20-2) to their second national championship game appearance in the past three years (their third appearance in the past five years). Salisbury however, fell 11-10 in overtime to Franklin & Marshall, coached by National and Metro Region Coach of the Year, Lauren Paul.

The 2009 women's lacrosse team had plenty more to celebrate, though, claiming their seventh straight Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) championship and boasting a program best five IWLCA All-Americans. Senior Robyn Bishop, Holly Johnson, Sarah McKinley and Sonja Stewart all earned honors, as did junior Beth Rhodey.

Salisbury's offense finished the season with 577 points scored, the most

in the country, and with the fourth best scoring offense, netting 17.5 goals per game. SU's defense was no slouch either, finishing the season as the sixth best scoring defense in the nation, scoring 7.77 goals per game.

Coach Nestor, who spends each fall coaching the Salisbury women's soccer team, has been honored five times in his eight years as a Salisbury coach. He was named Chesapeake Region Coach of the Year in 2004 and 2005 and then again in 2007 and 2008, and he was named National Coach of the Year in 2005 after leading his team to a 17-1 record and a National Finalist trophy. Nestor has also claimed the CAC Coach of the Year honor each of the last seven seasons ('03-'09).

In eight years as the women's lacrosse head coach, Nestor has amassed a record of 136-19 and a 45-2 mark in the CAC.

A graduate of Salisbury University in 1990, Nestor spent his time from 1991-1994 between three schools: Frostburg (Md.) State (91'-92'), Colby-Sawyer (N.H.) (92'-94), and Lafayette (Pa.) (1994).

Following those short stints, he



Coach Jim Nestor explains a drill to his team on the soccer field during Wednesday afternoon's practice. Nestor, who coaches both women's soccer and women's lacrosse, was recently named the IWLCA D-III South Atlantic Region Coach of the Year.

wife, Linda, also a Salisbury alum, was a four-year letter winner in women's lacrosse.

As the head coach of the women's soccer team, Nestor has compiled an

83-48-17 record in his eight years at the helm. He has guided the Sea Gulls to five CAC championship games, including a CAC title in 2006, and two NCAA tournament berths.

## SU soccer gets the ball rolling

By Brian Lomax  
Staff Writer

A team that has won two straight CAC championships and played in multiple NCAA tournaments might be susceptible to complacency.

However, that should not be the case for the Salisbury men's soccer team (1-0).

"We're defending conference champions and our goal is to win the conference, plus earn an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament," said Head Coach Gerry DiBartolo.

After finishing 15-4-3 last season, the Sea Gulls return much of the successful 2008 squad, including senior All-American midfielder Kyle Sterling, who led the team in points last season with 25 (10 goals, 5 assists). With so many experienced players, leadership will not be an issue with this team.

"We have designated captains, but everyone is a leader," said senior midfielder Ben Reed. "We're confident in the team and players that we can do that."

After losing to Dickinson in the first round of the NCAA tournament last season, the Sea Gulls hope to improve their tournament record.



Sophomore forward Sarah Jessilonis fights for control against rival Virginia Wesleyan.

Dan Anderson photo

## Cross country looks for another CAC title sweep

By Dana Dunne  
Staff Writer

Both the Salisbury men's and women's cross country teams enter the 2009 season as defending CAC champions after placing 11 runners on all-conference teams. This season, the men are racing towards their fifth straight conference title while the women hope to repeat after winning their fourth championship in the past five years last season.

The Salisbury men's cross country team enters this season as the No. 10 ranked team in the Mideast region, according to the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association's (USTFCCCA) D-III pre-season rankings.

The Gulls won two of their five regular season meets in 2008 before running to their fourth straight CAC Championship in November, earning an automatic

NCAA berth. In the NCAA Mideast Regional Championships last year, SU finished 11th out of 43 teams participating in the race.

The men return three of their top runners in junior Chris Barnard, sophomore John Fitzgerald, and senior Travis Boccher, who led all Sea Gulls in last year's NCAAs Mideast Regional Championships, finishing 38th overall in a time of 26:38. Boccher was also named to the Division-III Men's Cross Country All-Academic team by the USTFCCCA.

Head coach Jim Jones, a seven-time CAC Men's Cross Country Coach of the Year (2000, '02-'03, '05-'08) and a two-time CAC Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year ('04 and '05), hopes this blend of younger and older runners will lead to a ninth CAC championship and another NCAAs berth.

"The veterans will help the new-

comers," Jones said. The women's team graduated two of their top runners in last year's team leaders Amy DeMichele and Jen Bulger; however, juniors Masha Berge and Kristin Stromberg look primed to step into that leadership role.

Both Berge and Stromberg finished in the top 100 at last year's Regional Championships where the women Sea Gulls placed 17th overall. Sophomore Emily Powell, who finished fifth for SU (149th overall) at last year's regional championships also looks to anchor this young women's roster as they try to repeat as CAC champions.

The Gulls began their title defense last weekend at the Sea Gull Home Opener at Winterplace Park. This weekend they will compete in the Towson University Invitational in Hunt Valley, Md. at 10 a.m.

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## Football ready for action, set to enter Empire 8

By Therrell Dennis  
Staff Writer

For the returning student-athletes on the Salisbury University football squad, the anticipation of success on the gridiron, as well as in the classroom, is met by the challenges that await them at the start of the 2009 season.

The Sea Gulls, led by 11th-year head coach Sherman Wood, come into the 2009 season ranked 24th in the nation by USA Today's Sports Weekly College Football Preview Division III poll.

They finished 2008 with a 9-2 record,

including a receiving touchdown.

Sheahan, a University of Maryland (College Park) transfer, returns for a third season with SU.

In five games behind center,

Sheahan recorded a passing percentage of 44.4 percent, completing 12 of 27 passes for 195 yards and two touchdowns. He also rushed for 109 yards, including a season-long 41 against Geneva College on September 13 last season, and one touchdown.

Also with the start of the new season comes the anticipation of the 2010 season. Announced in early July, SU football will join

ranks with the Empire 8 Athletic Conference.

The Sea Gulls will be an affiliate member in 2011, but will become part of a partial Empire 8 schedule next year, according to a press release from the Empire 8 Web site.

The Sea Gulls, along with Frostburg State University and Springfield College, will compete

against other Division III schools

including Alfred University,

Hartwick College, Ithaca College,

St. John Fisher College, and Utica

University.

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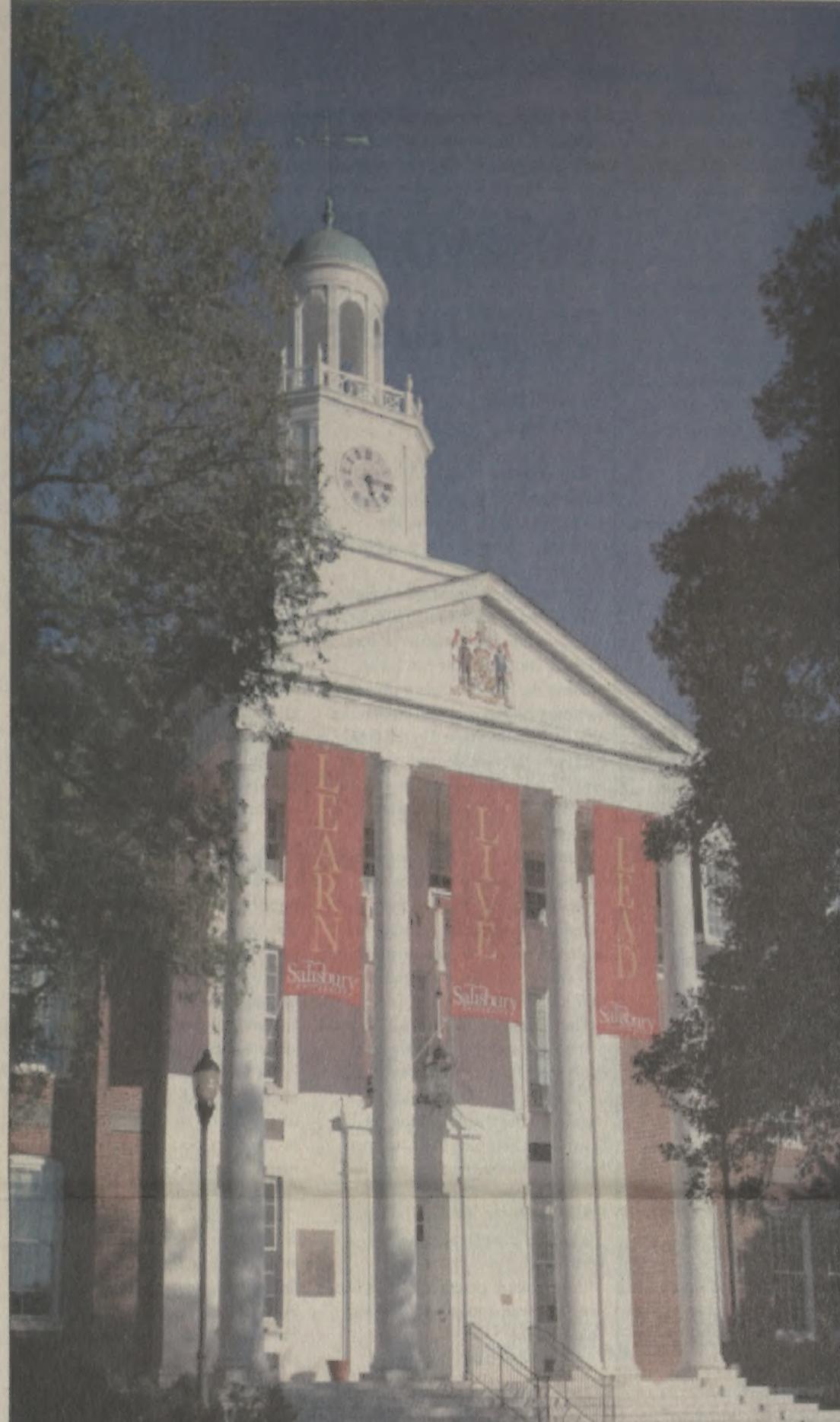
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SU has "a reputation as a challenging, high-level academic institution." It's a "perfectly sized university" small enough to be "your home away from home," but large enough to "offer a top-notch education." To sum it up, "basically anything you want, SU has."

- *The Princeton Review's* student survey responses

"I think it's great that I'm going to one of the top-notch universities in the country. I've got all the resources and same great education that you would get from a large university, but you still get that small campus feel and the personal attention that you want."

- SGA President Pat Gotham to *The Daily Times*

"It is the attention to detail that is given to students that makes SU so unique and special. As a student, we're really proud that we are consistently ranked—it shows we are doing something right."

- Graduate student Lili Afkhami to *The Daily Times*

### WHAT'S NEW AND EXCITING AT SU?

- More than 1,200 incoming first-year students from 14 states and 8 nations
- A distinctive master's in conflict analysis and dispute resolution, a highly sought after earth science major, and a music technology track (one-of-a-kind in the USM!)
- Groundbreaking on a new, LEED-certified home for the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business
- SU's first parking garage across the street from Sea Gull Stadium
- Faculty who spend nearly 2,000 hours each week advising students
- Expanded global service projects including helping social service agencies in Aguascalientes, Mexico, during spring break 2010
- Fulbright Scholars in Israel and Ghana
- Living Learning Communities for students studying Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) programs and eco-conscious residents
- Two faculty winners of the USM's prestigious \$80,000 Elkins Professorship for scholarly efforts in sustainability
- A new provost — Dr. Diane Allen

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